

# EXHIBIT "A"

## **THCI COMPANY LLC**

March 14, 2006

**VIA FACSIMILE, E-MAIL AND FEDERAL EXPRESS TO:**

Integrated Health Services of Cliff Manor, Inc.  
Integrated Health Services of Riverbend, Inc.  
Integrated Health Services at Somerset Valley, Inc.  
Alpine Manor, Inc.  
Briarcliff Nursing Home, Inc.  
Integrated Health Group  
Spring Creek of IHS, Inc.  
Firelands of IHS, Inc.  
Elm Creek of IHS, Inc.  
(collectively, the "Tenants")

IHS Long Term Care, Inc.  
Abe Briarwood Corp.  
Tri-State Health Investors, LLC

Attention: Harry Grunstein, President  
c/o National Senior Care  
c/o Mariner Health Care Inc.  
The Highlands  
920 Ridgebrook Road  
Sparks, MD 21152  
Facsimile No.: 410-773-2020

Re: Notice of Default Under Master Lease Agreement

Dear Mr. Grunstein:

Reference is made to: (i) the March 2002 Stipulation and Order by and between Integrated Health Services, Inc. ("IHS") and certain of its direct and indirect subsidiaries on the one hand, and Landlord, on the other (the "March 2002 Stipulation"), which established that IHS and 9 of its subsidiaries assumed their nine respective leases (the "Leases"); (ii) the April 23, 2003 Order of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the

District of Delaware, which provides that "a Master Lease shall be deemed to exist, which Master Lease shall be deemed to incorporate the terms set forth in paragraphs 3(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of the March 2002 Stipulation and shall further be deemed to incorporate by reference all terms of the existing Leases to the extent not inconsistent with the March 2002 Stipulation;" and (iii) the Confirmation Order in the bankruptcy proceedings of Integrated Health Services, Inc. entered on May 12, 2003, which provides, *inter alia*, that "the Master Lease shall be treated as an assumed lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the applicable Debtor(s) party to such Master Lease shall perform the Master Lease until the Effective Date of the Plan, after which the Master Lease shall be performed by the applicable Reorganized Debtor(s) . . . ."

Landlord hereby gives notice pursuant to Article 16 of each of the nine Leases, as incorporated by reference into the Master Lease, of the following defaults:

Base Rent, January, February and March, 2006. Tenants have failed to pay the base rent for January, February and March, 2006. Late charges shall accrue with respect to such unpaid rent at the "Overdue Rate."

Defaults Noticed in Prior Letters. Landlord reserves all rights with respect to existing defaults regarding which Landlord or its counsel provided notice in prior letters, including Landlord's right to provide Tenants with a notice of termination of the Master Lease. Landlord also reserves its rights with respect to other defaults, known or unknown to Landlord, which may exist as of the date hereof.

As you know, on July 11, 2005, Landlord delivered notice of Landlord's demand that Tenants surrender the nine facilities which are subject to the Master Lease.

If you wish to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

THCI Company LLC

By: Michael S. Sherman  
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Vice President and General Counsel

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